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**President Spencer W. Kimball Honored by SUP President Adolph Johnson**

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## The President's Message

by Adolph Johnson

The curtain has been drawn on 1975. As we step across the threshold of the New Year 1976, the Bicentennial year, it is with pride that we reflect back over 1975. What a wonderful year of accomplishment. We were able to transfer Pioneer Village to the Lagoon Corporation. Thinking back, I am sure you were all thrilled with the Kanab Encampment and the good time we all had.

### NEW CHAPTER

At the Annual Battalion Day Banquet on November 21, the Mormon Battalion was issued a Charter of the Sons of the Utah Pioneers presented to Colonel Fred M. Reese. They had a total of thirty-six member names on the charter. We hope this will strengthen both organizations and add to the growth of the SUP. We pledge our support and extend our love to this new chapter.

### PLAQUE TO PRESIDENT KIMBALL

One of the special events of December was the presence of President Spencer W. Kimball and Sister Kimball at the annual Board meeting and Christmas party held at the Pioneer Village December 9. President Kimball's spirit of love and friendship was felt by all in attendance. It was a privilege at this meeting to present President Kimball with a beautiful plaque distinguishing him as an Honorary Life Member of the SUP. He was very gracious in his acceptance. Brother and Sister Haycock, the president's secretary, were also special guests.

### SUP NEEDS MORE MEMBERS

My great concern at this time is with our membership. What can be done to increase members? We especially need younger members. More chapters could be organized. The field is ripe and ready for harvest. May each member see this great need and help us to achieve this goal. The new year is just beginning, as are many plans to strengthen our SUP organization.

May the Lord's most choice blessings be upon each member.

### NOTE TO THE EDITOR:

*I would like to extend a special thanks to Marvin Smith, Editor of The Pioneer for the outstanding work he has accomplished in publishing the SUP news.*



Margery Lambert



Earl L. Standing conducts the Madrigal Choir from Centerville Jr. High. Mrs. Joleen Dunyon Standing is at far left by the flag.



# President Kimball Is Guest At National SUP Board Party



*President Kimball, holding plaque, speaks to the national SUP Board and wives.*



*Bro. and Sr. Arthur Haycock (left) with Pres. and Sr. Kimball enjoy dinner at Pioneer Village.*



*Pres. Adolph Johnson, Left, Eileen Dunyon, Joy Dunyon (Emcee), and Sr. Jo (George C.) Lloyd have happy time at program.*

President Spencer W. Kimball was presented with a plaque symbolic of his honorary life membership in the S.U.P. at the Christmas gathering of the national board at Pioneer Village on the evening of December 9.

Adolph Johnson, national SUP president, made the presentation during the catered dinner. Sister Kimball, along with Brother and Sr. Arthur Haycock, accompanied the President of the Church. The Kimbells and Bro. Haycock spoke briefly and reminisced about the Centennial Trek in 1947 over the pioneer trail. (See picture and story on page 12 of the Nov.-Dec. 1975 issue of *The Pioneer* magazine.)

Margery Lambert, pretty wife of the late Thomas A. Lambert, accepted the traditional past president's pin on behalf of her husband. John A. Shaw, who succeeded Tom as leader of the national society, made the presentation.

Arrangements for the party were made by Joy F. and Eileen Dunyon and Ken G. and Min Wiseman. Serving as Emcee, Joy F. Dunyon announced that Phyllis Dixon Shaw would read. She guided the audience through Christmas reminiscences as she shared several brief stories of the season.

Next to be introduced was Earl L. Standing and his wife Joleen Dunyon, who brought with them the Madrigal Choir from Centerville Junior High School. These young people were dressed alike and presented numbers to fit each of the groupings of Bicentennial, the Savior's birth, and carolling. Earl was the capable director and reported that the students rehearsed on their own time prior to school classes.

Beautiful decorations adorned the tables in the form of miniature covered wagons made of fig newtons, marshmallows, life savers, raisins and a flag. Some delicious nut fudge candy was found at each place setting.

The Distinctive Caterers served the tasty, hot dinner.

A pleasant, quiet, relaxed evening was enjoyed by all.



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# "LEST WE FORGET"

By Elder Gordon B. Hinckley

(Second in a series)

I have read before from this pulpit the words of a thirteen-year-old girl, my wife's grandmother. I should like to read them to you, for I regard them as something of a classic.

Her family was converted in Brigh-ton, England, in 1856. They sold their possessions and sailed from Liverpool with 900 others on the vessel "Hori-zon." After six weeks at sea they landed at Boston and then traveled by steam train to Iowa City for fitting out.

There they purchased two yoke of oxen, one yoke of cows, a wagon, and a tent. They were assigned to travel with and assist one of the hand-cart companies.

Here at Iowa City also occurred their first tragedy. Their youngest child, less than two years of age, suffering from exposure, died and was buried in a grave never again visited by a member of the family. She writes:

"We traveled from fifteen to twenty-five miles a day . . . till we got to the Platte River . . . We caught up with the handcart companies that day. We watched them cross the river. There were great lumps of ice floating down the river. It was bitter cold. The next morning there were fourteen dead . . . We went back to camp and had our prayers and . . . sang 'Come, Come Ye Saints, No Toil Nor Labor Fear.' I wondered what made my mother cry that night . . . The next morning my little sister was born. It was the twenty-third of September. We named her Edith. She lived six weeks and died . . . She was buried at the last crossing of the Sweetwater.

"When we arrived at Devil's Gate it was bitter cold. We left many of our things there . . . My brother James . . . was as well as he ever was when we went to bed that night. In the morning he was dead . . .

"My feet were frozen; also my brother's and sister's. It was nothing but snow. We could not drive the pegs in our tents . . . We did not know what would become of us. Then

one night a man came to our camp and told us . . . Brigham Young had sent men and teams to help us . . . We sang songs; some danced, and some cried . . .

"My mother never got well . . . She died between the Little and Big Mountains . . . She was forty-three years of age . . .

"We arrived in Salt Lake City nine o'clock at night the eleventh of December, 1856. Three out of the four that were living were frozen. My mother was dead in the wagon . . .

"Early next morning Brigham Young came . . . When he saw our condition, our feet frozen and our mother dead, tears rolled down his cheeks . . .

"The doctor amputated my toes . . . while the sisters were dressing mother for her grave . . . That afternoon she was buried.

"I have often thought of my mother's words before we left Eng-land. 'Polly, I want to go to Zion while my children are small so that they can be raised in the Gospel of Jesus Christ, for I know this is the true Church.' (Mary Goble Pay Ms.)

Her story is typical. It is represen-tative of thousands. It is an expression of a marvelous but simple faith, an unquestioning conviction, that some-how the God of Heaven in his power will make all things right and bring to pass his eternal purposes in the lives of his children.

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## Battalion Chartered As SUP Chapter



National President Adolph Johnson presented the Charter for a new chapter to Col. Fred M. Reese on the evening of November 21 in Salt Lake City. The occasion was the annual gathering of the U.S. Mormon Battalion. The new group will be known as the U.S. Mormon Battalion chapter. Thirty-five names appeared on the charter.

Serving as officers of the new chapter will be the national staff as presently constituted with Col. Reese as the commander.

Enthusiasm and good will was evident. Supporting the occasion with their spouses were five national presidents of S.U.P. They included Adolph Johnson, Horace A. Sorensen, Milton V. Backman, J. Rulon Morgan and Verl G. Dixon. President-elect D. Wesley Reese and some directors were also in attendance at the banquet.

This represents the first new chapter created since Adolph Johnson took office. He is committed to developing new chapters and increasing membership.

Battalion members, historically, have been among the more active and valiant of the Sons of the Utah Pioneers. The Battalion was organized and had its beginnings through the national leadership of SUP. President David O. McKay gave his special approval and assigned Col. Fred M. Reese to see that the Battalion was perpetuated in its service to the original military organization and their descendants.

All SUP members are eligible for membership in the Battalion. It is not necessary to be a descendant of the original U.S. Mormon Battalion. Current annual dues are \$3.00, plus \$7.00 for the National SUP.

*Starting at top left and reading counter clockwise are SUP national presidents and wives: Johnsons, Sorensens, Backmans, Dixons and Morgans. National Commander U.S.M.B. Fred M. Reese and Wife. Top right, President Johnson presents S.U.P. charter and welcomes the Battalion as a chapter.*





*Third Place in Story Contest*

# CUPID STRIKES IN THE SNOW



*By Ann G. Hansen, Preston, Idaho*

George and Margaret Robinson lived a happy life in Darlington, England, with their family of six. George was an excellent cabinet maker and was able to provide all the good things of life his family desired. In the midst of their prosperity they heard the gospel and were all converted and baptized. Like other Latter-day Saints, they wanted to come to America, the promised land. William, the oldest son, came first, and it was some time before the rest of the family followed.

Elizabeth, the oldest girl, was now eighteen years of age, and very beautiful. She had no suitors, and sought none until the right man came along.

## JOINED HANDCART COMPANY

The family settled in Iowa, and then cast their lot with the Martin Handcart Company that was coming to Utah. It was a trying time to decide what to throw away and what to take in those little handcarts. There was the best clothing to leave, hand-made lace and doilies, fancy dishes, bedding, pictures, and in fact almost everything that had been so dear to them. As George, a proud boy of fourteen, saw his mother and sister crying, as they threw away that which they prized so much, he became bitter. "This is too much," he yelled angrily, "I will not go into that wilderness of savages and sagebrush. I am staying here."

"Have you no testimony of the gospel?" his mother asked. "After all we came to America to join the Saints."

"I am not going," he cried angrily. "You will not find me when you start your foolish march tomorrow. I am running away." And with that, he dashed out of the house never to be seen by his mother again.

The father, half-sick, said he could not bear to leave his youngest son among strangers, so he decided to stay with him.

## SUPER COURAGE

Margaret and her two daughters began the trek the next day alone. All went well the first part of the journey. There were merry times around the campfire dancing and

singing songs of praise. But winter came all too soon and the provisions gave out. They were rationed on one-fourth pound of flour per day. Many died of exposure, and the mother who had lived such a sheltered life, had to be pulled by the two girls in the handcart every day. To add to their trials, word came that their father had died, but George was never heard of again.

The slow march continued, with death, hunger and fatigue ever present. Then on a dull day in October, as the company plodded along, the snow came, but they forced themselves on a few more miles and camped in some willows. By morning there was a foot of snow, the starving draft animals were scattered, and there were five more bodies to be buried. The ground was frozen and their strength was gone, so they buried them together in a snowdrift.

## TERRIFIC TRIALS

When the storm was over, they wallowed on toward the Sweetwater only to be halted again by another storm. A night or two later they were so worn out that nobody had strength to pitch his tent. They sat there listless, shivering and cold, resigned to their fate, but still with faith in God.

Meanwhile, missionaries bearing the news of the Martin company reached Salt Lake City. Many were assembled at October conference of the Church to hear the word of the Lord through their prophet Brigham Young. When President Young heard the awful news, he abruptly adjourned the conference and called for volunteers, wagons and supplies to help these unfortunate brothers and sisters. Bound by a sense of brotherhood, twenty-seven young men left with

wagonloads of food, warm clothing, and bedding. They knew the journey would be hard, driving across three or four hundred miles of snow-covered mountains, but these people must not die if they could get there in time.

## HELP ARRIVES

Finally they found them. Most had not eaten for 48 hours and there were more bodies to be buried. Little children were barefoot in the snow, but now there was a ray of hope. Help had come. The rescuers built big fires, handed out food, bedding and clothing, and as quickly as they could, loaded the weakest in wagons and started them for Salt Lake City. The strongest still walked on.

Then on November 30, the small band saw Salt Lake Valley for the first time. They were on top of a big mountain wading up to their waists in snow, but what a sight, a promise of food, warmth, shelter and a home.

## CUPID STRIKES

Elizabeth caught sight of a strong young man digging his way through the drifts toward them. There was a smile on his face as he laid the snow in piles along the path, and Elizabeth thought he was the most handsome man she had ever seen. Weak and hungry though she was, she thought only of love. She knew that someday she wanted to marry that man. As he dug the path closer to her he stopped, took a piece of jerky from his pocket and pressed it in her hand. Cold as she was, his touch sent a warm wave through her body and a tint of color to her pale cheeks. The trials of the plains were forgotten deep in the

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# JAMES H. MILLER DIED DECEMBER 26



*Mabel and Jim Miller lead the group onto the dance floor at Battalion Day party Nov. 21, one month before his death.*

President Adolph Johnson with nine uniformed Battalion members from Logan and Salt Lake City traveled to Brigham City December 29 to join with the Box Elder chapter members in paying last respects to James H. Miller, 78, who passed away after a short illness on December 26.

## NATIONAL DIRECTOR

Jim, as he was affectionately called, was a director on the national SUP board, currently serving as chairman of the Life Membership committee. He was active in both the SUP and the U.S. Mormon Battalion. As recently as November 21 Jim and his wife Mabel attended the annual Mormon Battalion Day Banquet and dance in Salt Lake City. For many years he has traveled with the numerous Battalion treks and attended the annual SUP encampments.

## ACTIVE & OPTIMISTIC

Speakers at the beautiful funeral service characterized him as a kind and loving husband; a busy man with so much to be accomplished that he seemed to always run; an upright and honest dealing business man (he was in insurance and real estate); a willing worker in Church and community; a man who loved to travel and meet people and see places; a considerate father and kindly grandfather; a cheerful associate; a person with deep feelings and insight, as portrayed by his many poems.

## A PROLIFIC WRITER

Besides three booklets of poems, Jim has written numerous Indian stories. He often wrote accounts of his travels in verse. His son, Dr. J. Dale Miller of Provo, is now in process of gathering his writings into one volume for publication.

## HONOR GUARD

Troy M. Miller, another son, requested that the Battalion furnish an honor guard because of his father's many happy associations. Those on duty for this occasion were Elmer B. Jones, C.O. of the Utah Division, D. Wesley Reese, Roland Mortensen, W. Earl Gordon, Lorenzo Hansen, Dwain Carlson, William Kendrick, Warren Hansen and Marvin E. Smith.

Elma Johnson and Irene Smith accompanied their husbands from Salt Lake City.

SUP Vice President Verl L. Petersen was the funeral director and managed the occasion in a professional manner.

## OBITUARY

James H. Miller was born September 3, 1897, Corinne, to William M. and Olive Pierson Miller. Married Amanda Shuman April 4, 1917, Salt Lake LDS Temple; she died Feb. 17, 1970. Married Lucille Tams June 9, 1970, Logan LDS Temple; she died July 13, 1974. He then married Mabel Fawson, who survives him. Former insurance, real estate man, farmer. Active in LDS Church. Served on national Sons of Utah Pioneers board. Member Mormon Battalion, Box Elder County Council on Aging, Brigham City Senior Citizens Board.

Survivors: wife; sons, Troy Milton, Brigham City; Dr. James Dale, Provo; eleven grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; brother, Wilford, Ogden; sisters, Mrs. Fred L. (Olive) Petersen, Brigham City; Mrs. Maude Toponce, Ogden; Mrs. Howard (Evelyn) Wadsworth, Magna; Mrs. Brooks (Irene) Shuman, Tremonton.

*Below, Honor Guard from Logan and Salt Lake attend funeral of James H. Miller in Brigham City. Front row left: Earl Gordon, Dwain Carlson, Elmer B. Jones, C.O., William Kendrick. Back row: Pres. Adolph Johnson, Lorenzo Hansen, Warren Hansen, Roland Mortensen and D. Wesley Reese.*





## BATTALION STUDIES BICENTENNIAL.

Twenty-one years after the modern Mormon Battalion was incorporated, members gathered from all parts of the State for the annual business meeting, banquet and dance in Salt Lake City November 21.

The organization came of age and Col. Fred M. Reese, national commander, was presented with an SUP charter from President Adolph Johnson, which created a new chapter for Battalion members. In the future, Battalion members will send their SUP dues of \$7 along with their regular dues of \$3 to Finance Officer Elmer J. Carr, 32 "O" Street, Salt Lake City, 84103. Everyone seemed happy about the recognition accorded the Battalion.

### BICENTENNIAL THEME

Richard M. Eyre, the very popular guest speaker, pleased everyone with new insights into the bicentennial theme. For instance, we will be commemorating the spiritual roots of our country. Also, as LDS members, we are recognizing 2000 years of American history, instead of only 200. Certainly our appreciation of the bicentennial is now enhanced.

Serving as National Coordinator of Bicentennial activities for the LDS Church, Richard M. Eyre has a background of unusual competency. He achieved degrees with distinction from USU, BYU and Harvard universities. He is the author of several books, and is president of his own marketing consulting firm which is known as R. M. Eyre Associates.

### ANNUAL BUSINESS SESSION

Prior to the banquet, Commander Reese conducted the business meeting and told of projects and treks in the planning for 1976. He encouraged life memberships to the US Mormon Battalion.

Lt. Col. Elmer B. Jones received a commendation from Col. Reese for completing a workable organization manual. This sells for \$3.

Marvin E. Smith proposed that a vote of thanks be accorded to Harold H. Jenson for his many years of service as a historian. Mr. Jenson sent his final collection of about 50 pages of USMB history.

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*Mabel and Jim Miller lead the group from Northern Utah onto the dance floor November 21, 1975.*



# HONORS OFFICERS AND LIFE MEMBERS

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It was recommended that Area Coordinators submit a list of suitable projects in their areas which would serve to commemorate the services of the original USMB.

## BANQUET AND PROGRAM

Col. Fred M. Reese was master of ceremonies for a pleasant evening. Chaplain Virgil H. Peterson got things started right with an appropriate invocation. The national SUP officers were recognized and everyone enjoyed the dinner served by Distinctive Caterers.

## BATTALION LIFE MEMBERSHIPS

The first life members of the US Mormon Battalion were presented certificates as follows: Fred M. Reese, Veron P. Curtis, Marvin E. Smith, Charles E. Pomeroy, Horace A. Sorensen, Earl W. Bascom, S. Grant Young and Lyle D. Webster.

## SERVICE AWARDS

Recognized for long and faithful service were: Capt. Sheldon R. Brewster, who is commanding officer of Co. A and a charter member of the Battalion since 1954; also his assistant, 1st Lt. Rudy Christiansen. Company D of Logan had two officers named likewise: Capt. Quentin Thomas for 15 years of responsible duty; and 1st Lt. Lorenzo Hansen, who served capably for 10 years. These presentations were made by Lt. Col. Elmer B. Jones, C.O. of the Utah Division.

## NEW COMMISSIONS APPROVED

Certificates of appointment were presented to three new officers of Co. D as follows: D. Wesley Reese, Major, Area Coordinator and C.O.; Roland Mortensen, 1st Lt.; W. Earl Gordon, 2nd Lt. and chaplain.

Then Lt. Col. Jones awarded certificates to two officers of Co. B: Richard W. Moyle, Capt. and C.O.; and Robert M. Smith, 2nd Lt.

Richard A. Jones was commissioned 1st Lt. and will serve as finance officer of the Utah Division.

## MUSIC

Two favorite songs, Come, Come Ye Saints, and The Mormon Battalion

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## CHAPTER NEW

### LEHI CHAPTER

A re-enactment of the original Statehood Day celebration was held in Lehi on Tuesday, January 6, before a capacity audience.

The special Bicentennial activity was held at the Lehi High School at 6:30 p.m. Led by the Sons of the Utah Pioneers, it began with a gun salute by the American Legion and a musical prelude by the Lehi High School Band.

Representing the national SUP board at the patriotic festivities were President Adolph Johnson and his wife Elma from Riverton, and Dr. Oliver R. Smith, vice president, from Provo.

The celebration followed the same program as that held in Salt Lake City on January 3 with some modifications, officials said.

The Lehi Silver Band, as well as the high school band, performed. The Hilo's, a ladies' singing group, sang.

Also at the program, Mayor Evan Colledge administered the oath of office to the incoming city councilmen, and J. B. Cooper, a state representative from Lehi, read the proclamation of statehood delivered at the original celebration.

The festivities were led by Veron Curtis, president of the Sons of Utah Pioneers of Lehi; Virgil Peterson, national chaplain of the Mormon Battalion; Bert Snow, commander of the Lehi chapter of the American Legion; Betty Fowler, chairman of the Lehi Bicentennial Committee; Arnold Pope of the Lehi Stake of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints; and William Miller of the Lehi North LDS Stake.

### LARKIN MORTUARY

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### NAUVOO BY NIGHT

The Sugar House Chapter, SLC, of the Sons of Utah Pioneers extended an invitation to members and wives of the Salt Lake County and Davis chapters to attend a most interesting historical documentary, *Nauvoo by Night*, which was given Monday evening, November 24, at the Wasatch Jr. High School. Dinner was served to members, wives and guests of the Sugar House Chapter. Meeting was conducted by President Roscoe T. Pixton.

This new sound and light tour production of historic Nauvoo was written and produced by Brother Alvin G. and Sister Lena Marie Pack. The Packs spent the summer of 1975 in Nauvoo establishing and developing the "Walking Tour of Nauvoo" for the Church, and in the spring they will return to Nauvoo to reactivate the tour and continue its development.

In their world travels, Brother and Sister Pack have been enthralled by sound and light productions at the pyramids in Egypt; the Acropolis in



Veron Curtis

### PIONEER CHAPTER

Edwin C. (Ted) Skeen, 1020 Military Drive, has been elected president of the Pioneer Chapter, Sons of Utah Pioneers, for 1976.

Serving with him will be Glen A. Lloyd, president-elect; Lorin D. Wiggins, first vice president; Kenneth M. Smith, second vice president; Robert M. Simonsen, secretary; Roger L. Mecham, treasurer, and Cloyd E. Wangsgard, historian.

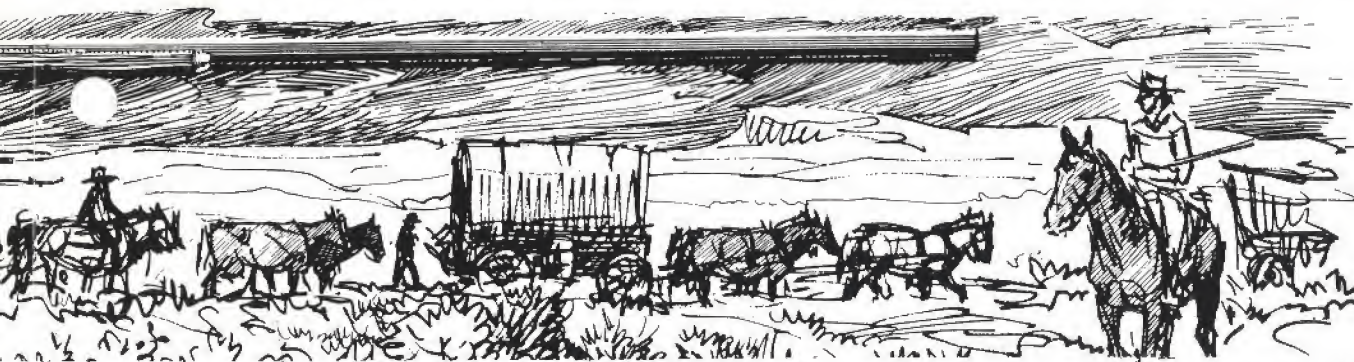
Athens; the Peacock Court in Agra, India; David's tower in Jerusalem; at Versailles in France; etc., in which spotlights focus on these historic structures as music and voices narrate the eventful happenings surrounding them. During their mission in Nauvoo the Packs felt that here was the perfect place for such a dramatic narrative. With their thirty years of wide experience in the broadcasting field, they wrote and produced features and commentaries equivalent to 500 full-length books. The Packs were well prepared to adapt their impressive concept to a new way of preaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ through the lives of the Nauvoo Saints.

The original "Nauvoo by Night" will be presented for a hundred nights each summer in Nauvoo, where guests will walk the romantic streets to the historic old restored homes, where spotlights will accent various parts of each building as the dramatized narrative tells the great stories of the Saints who lived there, bringing them back to life again. Their lives are truly testimonies of the Gospel.

Brother and Sister Pack were highly praised and complimented for this splendid production, which was indeed outstanding, and enjoyed by all who were present.

— Roscoe T. Pixton





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## NEWS AND VIEWS

### GEORGE A. SMITH CHAPTER

A visit by Adolph Johnson, president of the National Society, SUP, highlighted the reorganization meeting of the George A. Smith Chapter held on December 2 at the Pioneer Museum hall in Provo.

Verl G. Dixon, a former national president and chapter president currently serving as a national director, was elected to lead the chapter. He will be assisted by Richard Clement, vice president, and Floyd K. Giles, secretary, with additional officers to be elected later.

Oliver R. Smith, SUP vice president, presented an illustrated report of the 1975 encampment held in Kanab, and President Johnson stressed the importance of each chapter enlisting new members and espousing significant projects to achieve the Society's goals.

### BRIGHAM YOUNG CHAPTER

Eldon J. Card, great-grandson of Brigham Young and a grandson of Charles Ora Card, the Mormon pioneer founder of Cardston, Alberta, Canada, was elected on December 4 to serve as president of the Brigham Young Chapter of SUP at Provo. He had previously served as board member and vice president of the chapter.

Other officers elected were: Thomas A. Wolsey, first vice president; Leland Perry, second vice president; E. Dan Boyce, secretary-treasurer; Albert O. Mitchell, historian; W. Ernest Young and Vasco M. Tanner, chaplains; and Aura C. Hatch, John F. Jones and C. Lynn Hayward, board members.

Carr F. Greer, who was president during 1975, will also serve as a member of the board.

The chapter members and partners meet every fourth Thursday at 7 p.m.

### SUGARHOUSE CHAPTER

On the 25th of August, 1975, the Sugar House Chapter of SUP held its annual 'Steak Fry' at George Washington Park in Parley Canyon. Being right near the Mountain Dell Golf Course, it was a great temptation to hold a golf tournament prior to the party.

When the whistle blew for the tee off at noon, there were three flights totaling 11 players. Many of our top flight players were away on extended vacations.

The players were Milton V. Backman, Leo B. Castleton, Rulon W. Clark, Lowell P. Hicks, Welby Johnson, Eli D. LeCheminant, George A. McClellan, George S. Nelson, Roscoe T. Pixton, W. Phil Robbins and Carl H. Rosell.

Prizes were given for the best players of the day. Every player got some kind of a prize. Low Medal was won by E. D. LeCheminant. Low Caloway by Carl Rosell. The best 'Hacker' prize went to George Nelson. He didn't keep score — he said he couldn't count that high. He had the honor of losing the most balls. He was in the rough on every hole. His prize was a basket of balls furnished by the Nibley Park Course. Every ball had to have at least one large cut in it or it was discarded. Of course, George was unable to use the balls, but he said he would keep them around to remind him that he had to play more to get ready for the tournament next year.

Roscoe got the prize of an automatic counter. He said it would help him be honest with his score. The first prize was a good ball with a hole drilled through it. This went to Rulon Clark; he had come as close as anyone to getting a 'hole in one.'

It took about a half hour of fun to pass out the prizes. Every person

### LOOKING FORWARD TO PROVO

Believe it or not, we are receiving requests for information for the 1976 SUP Encampment. Needless to say there has been a great amount of planning already completed. We can assure you that you can anticipate having the time of your life when you join us next summer.

In fact, we are expecting this event to surpass the attendance at Kanab. We recognize that there is just no other place that can equal Kanab, in its setting, but by the same token we want you to know there is no other place quite like Provo, in its setting.

We want you to be somewhat surprised with the many outstanding events that will be waiting for you when you arrive. However, to aid you in some of your advance planning as to where you will spend your summer vacation, may we suggest that you keep in mind the following, all in Provo.

Genealogical Seminar, July 2-6.

SUP Encampment, August 12-16.

Brigham Young University Graduation Exercises, August 13.

Education Week, August 16-20.

Those who have been in Provo will need no further encouragement to return. Those, if any, who have never been here will find it a great delight to visit the Garden City.

*D. L. McConkie*

receiving a prize was required to tell a golf story. Most of the jokes had been heard before by the crowd. It was the way the boys told them that was so funny.

We have decided to make it an annual event. Next year we expect at least two dozen players. So, boys, get practiced up. — *Eli D. LeCheminant*



## *Profile of Newell Grant Knight — Senator, Historian*

# His Gift To Humanity — A Lifetime of Service

I was born February 11, 1909, to John Minor Knight and Florence Rosena Cornell Knight as their eighth child, in Salt Lake City, Utah, at home, 243 South 7th East.

My grandparents were pioneers to Utah. I was named for Newell Knight, who received a special blessing at the hands of the Prophet. The evil spirits that had taken possession of his body were, by the laying on of hands, removed.

My mother one day, having eight children, lighted the gas oven to bake bread and turned her back on me. I crawled into the oven and the door closed. I was burned half to death or, as the family reminded me often, half baked.

I became a great reader, a loner, a student of religion and world history, still trying to build up my body for athletics of all nature and played baseball, basketball, football and boxed. Each Christmas vacation I came down with a child's disease.

When I was eleven years of age my father, John M. Knight, was appointed to preside over the Western States Mission with headquarters in Denver, Colorado. Our moving to Denver became the major turning point in my life and health. It was here that I met and learned to know many great men.

### TOUR WITH ANDREW JENSON

Fortune favored me in 1942-45 as a driver of an automobile on a trip with my parents to the Hill Cumorah. Here my father found several Indian heads or arrowheads to prove to his children that a great battle had been fought there. It was here we were joined by Andrew Jenson, L.D.S. assistant Church Historian, and traveled with him and his wife back toward Salt Lake City, covering the route of the pioneers.

I was also along with Mr. Jenson on the trip covering the route of the journey of the Nephites through Old Mexico.

### MISSIONARY & STATE SENATOR

As a missionary I learned early in life as a student that in tracting, cot-



*Newell Knight, left, is pictured as he presented the Salt Lake City flag to Lt. Col. Elmer B. Jones for the U.S. Mormon Battalion. Mr. Knight has also been generous to the Pioneer magazine editor by providing historical data with rare photos.*

tage meetings or street meetings not to preach, but teach and have your answers marked in both the Bible and the Books of Mormon you were ready to give away to those who seemed interested.

With the advent of World War Two, I became a member of the U.S. Navy and was placed in the C.B.'s.

Upon my return home at the end of the war I was elected a State Senator in 1946, Commander of Post 3586 Veterans of Foreign Wars, and Chaplain of the ceremonial team of that organization. As such, I received state and national awards and in 1973, on the completion of the Chapel to the "Four Chaplains," was honored with a life membership for my work.

In 1948, while still a member of the State Senate, a difference of opinion created by the abolishment of the Tourist and Industrial Division, State of Utah, led me to prove my point by giving my services to Salt Lake City Corporation.

### CITY HISTORIAN

We published a monthly magazine

under the title *City Employee*, trying to create interest in our city. I first published the story of the City & County Building taken from the records found in the City Recorder's office, and submitted the resolution to the City Commission to return the square to its original name, "Washington Square."

In 1956 to aid the tourists visiting the City and County building on Washington Square, I wrote "Mormon Town," and had Art Dupay prepare a special tourist map, showing clockwise seventy-five points of interest for citizens and tourists alike. This was done without cost to the City.

### RESTORED CLOCK & CHIMES

In 1957 I requested both the City & County Commission for permission to do something about the great clock and chimes, which were destroyed by the 1935 earthquake. We sent our letters asking for bids to restore them to use. We received five bids ranging from ninety thousand to one hundred and fifty thousand dollars. We knew

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## Newell G. Knight

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the City and County at that time would not give approval for this great a sum.

On December 7, 1957, as a memorial to the men of Utah who gave their lives at Pearl Harbor, the first computer-operated clock and chimes in the world was, without ceremony, set in operation. Total cost: three thousand, one hundred and fifty dollars.

### SPECIAL AWARD

At the State convention, Veterans of Foreign Wars, I was awarded a special plaque, for 1,050 burials performed for veterans.

Having been given the title of City Historian without pay by Mayor Earl J. Glade, I worked on Saturdays and Sundays to keep my work up.

We furnished the Intermountain area with an Americanism book pub-

lished in color, upon the American Flag, holidays, history of the Pledge of Allegiance, who made the flag of the United States, and the proper way to fly our national flag. One hundred thousand of these booklets were sent to schools, churches and civic organizations.

I have received many awards by national organizations and groups. But my greatest thrill is to have some school child tell me that their mother or father took the tour of the City and County building with me when they were in the sixth or eighth grade.

Showing the early pictures of Utah and greeting guests who still come to visit me in my office at 335 East 300 South, Apt. 105, or answering questions asked over the phone makes me happy, knowing I have not been forgotten.

## Prominent Couple Honored on Wedding Day



*Golden wedding anniversary for Ada Marie and M. Kenneth White.*

M. Kenneth and Ada Marie Sparks White were honored on the evening of December 2, 1975, at an open house to commemorate their golden wedding anniversary. They were married December 2, 1925, in the Salt Lake Temple.

A feature of the reception was a family tree on display at their home at 2901 Kenwood St., Salt Lake City. It depicted all of their children and grandchildren.

The couple have four living children: Gloria Marie Halliday, Joyce Dott Jackson, Gary Hon White and Kenneth Franklin White. One son, LeRoy, is deceased. In addition, Ken and Marie are blessed with 21 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. Six of the grandchildren are married.

The Pioneer adds its congratulations.

## Mormon Battalion

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song were sung by Elmer B. Jones, C.O. of the Utah Division. He was accompanied by Robert M. Smith on the piano.

Enjoyable music was also forthcoming from the Rhythm Rascals, a string quartet composed of Robert B. Belt, guitar, Elmer Rasmussen, violin, Ron Perkins, guitar and Jennie Perkins, bass. They entertained with dinner music and later played for dancing with old time favorites which greatly pleased the audience.

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# Chief Washakie Was Friend of The Whites

by the late James H. Miller  
SUP Historical Writer

Chief Washakie was born about 1804, early in the nineteenth century. He lost his parents by death when he was a child. He was of mixed Shoshoni and Umatilla blood, and according to some authorities he was part white. He came to live with his mother's people in western Wyoming. Here he grew to manhood and became the chief of the Shoshoni Tribe. He was light in color, a tall, commanding figure, and carried himself with dignity. He was very fond of form and ceremony in his dealings with white people.

The white settlers in Salt Lake City in the early fifties saw this chief and his band many times. They accepted food from the settlers and in return the good chief assured them of his friendship.

This Shoshoni chief had been good to white men all along, for Zettie Nebeker Kearn, an early pioneer, left some information about Chief Washakie. She wrote, "My first memory of Washakie was when I was a very young child. My sister, Sara A. Nebeker, was subject to sick headaches and one day had a severe attack. Washakie happened to come to our home and told my mother to let me go with him, that he would show me what was as he said, "heap good for heap bad head, bad belly" and rubbed his head and stomach.

He took my hand very gently and we went about two blocks from our home. He had me pick some pink honeysuckle and yarrow, while he got some Indian root, these I took home, Mother steeped the three together and gave to my sister. This relieved her a great deal. I remember that mother always had those herbs in the home after that.

A little later the Indians were camped just above our home in the mouth of the canyon, as this was their favorite camp. Mother sent me up there one evening with a large bucket of sweet milk and two loaves of bread. I had, of course, been taught to honor the aged ones, so took the milk and

bread first to Washakie. He said, "Sweet milk?" I replied, "Yes sir." He then said "Sweet milk squaw food, buttermilk Indian Chief heap like um" after which he motioned for me to take the sweet milk and bread to his wife.

I ran home and told mother what Chief Washakie had said and she let me take a bucketful of buttermilk to him. He said "Tewidgie, Wino," (meaning very good papoose.)

Chief Washakie became famous in Utah, because of his love for white men and their friendliness to him. He even fought against other Indian tribes and protected immigrants.

It is a known fact that he protected any immigrants that were on their way to Utah, while passing through his territory in Wyoming. He aided them often in searching for lost stock and assisted them in crossing dangerous streams. He was so friendly and helpful that on one occasion 9,000 immigrants signed a paper commending him for his kind treatment. One pioneer wrote "We count him (Chief Washakie) as one of the noblest of Indians who had dealings with white men."

In his last years, Washakie was a member of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and a friend to all missionaries.

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## Arthur J. Kirk Records His Profile

# Hard Work Brings Success to 95 Year Old

My life has been one of hard work combined with the joys of success. The Lord has blessed me abundantly and I'm thankful that I have lived a full, purposeful and joyful life.

On Dec. 21, 1975, I celebrated my ninety-fifth birthday. I was born in Salt Lake City, Utah, in 1880, the eldest of the seven children of Arthur H. B. and Cecilia Condie Kirk.

In January, 1902, I received a call from "Box B" and served as a missionary in the Southern States.

I returned home in October, 1904, and accepted employment with Cutler Brothers. I had previously managed two stores for River Brothers in Salt Lake.

November 29, 1905, I married Mable Poulton in the Salt Lake Temple. We were parents of three children. Two died in infancy and one survived: Mrs. Joseph W. (LaVern) Stam.

### VOCATIONAL DATA

In October, 1917, I sold stock in a corporation and promoted the A. J. Kirk & Co., wholesalers of dry goods, notions, and Men's and women's furnishings. Our growth was good and steady and we served the inter-mountain area.

I eventually acquired all of the outstanding stock of the company, and on December 30, 1950, I sold out and retired from business.

My hobbies include fishing, duck hunting, flower raising and gardening. I have maintained a membership in the Rudy Gun Club for over thirty years, and with my son-in-law went hunting at the Club on the opening of the season this year.

### SUPER FISHERMAN


I built a home in Vivian Park, Provo Canyon, in 1918, and I might say I have waded through nearly every foot of the Provo River in that area. I have received three prizes for big fish caught, two of which were exhibited at Zinik's Sporting Goods store in Salt Lake City. The largest of these



Mr. Kirk

was a German Brown which measured 31½ inches long and weighed 11½ pounds.

I have enjoyed traveling. One of my trips took me to the World's Fair in Chicago in 1933 and we went on to New York and other eastern cities. We visited the Hill Cumorah and the Sacred Grove. I have traveled around the Panama Canal, the Hawaiian Islands, Alaska, Old Mexico, and in 1966 I made a trip to Scotland and the Scandinavian countries.



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## CHURCH SERVICE

As Deacon's president of the fourth ward when a child, we were required to take care of the chapel. Since there were no furnaces, we had to build and stoke the fires in the stoves and fill the kerosene lamps and keep them clean.

I have been active in the L.D.S. Church all of my life. I have been superintendent of Sunday School in two wards and was a ward clerk prior to that. I have been a teacher in Sunday School, Y.M.M.I.A. and served as president of the Elders quorum. Have been a member of the Tabernacle Choir. Stake assignments have included member of Pioneer Stake Sunday School board, Liberty and Bonneville Stake Y.M.M.I.A. boards, and secretary of the Melchizedek Priesthood committee and at the same time secretary of the Stake High Priest quorum. I served as assistant High Priest group leader while living in Parley's Third Ward. About 1945 Elder Marion G. Romney called me to perform services for the Church Welfare committee.

## CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

I have held memberships in the Salt Lake Chamber of Commerce, the Salt Lake Chapter of the Sons of Utah Pioneers, and am a Life Member of the National Society of the SUP. I am also a Life Member of the United Commercial Travelers.

My wife and I now live on Willow Creek Drive in Sandy. The close view of the Wasatch Mountains from there is magnificent.

## CUPID STRIKES

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snowdrifts on the high mountain. She had found love.

Upon entering the valley, Elizabeth pursued her new love and she and Gibson Condie were married a few months later in Salt Lake City. They became the parents of a large family, and settled in Preston, Idaho. In later years, Elizabeth enjoyed telling her family how she loved their father at first sight in the cold snow drifts high up on the mountain.



## Pioneer Village: Going, Going and Nearly Gone





# OLD AND NEW SPIRIT OF '76

*by Harold H. Jenson  
Past National President and Historian*

Listen dear friends and you shall hear  
Of SUP history for past and coming year  
Seventy-five was just great  
Adventures we will now relate.

The Brigham Young Gravesite Monument  
Will perpetuate pioneer sentiment  
Ed Fraughton, sculptor, deserves credit  
For his outstanding statuette.

SUP Mormon Battalion to San Diego went  
Over part of historic trail for special event.  
At San Diego's Memorial Center  
Where all might listen, indoors better  
To past history, on tape; and monuments great —  
Five in all, with DUP sharing the slate.

Jack Shaw, our President, set the pace  
On horseback at Kanab, stealing the race.  
He led the SUP to fame, along with Colonel Reese  
Marching to a band, and cheers that never cease.

Dr. Orson Wright and Dick Moyle made our parties glow  
With Adolph and their wives putting on the show  
That made the President's banquet and seminar  
Outstanding features for us all.

A new year has come, with spirit of '76  
And a Johnson again will lead in SUP tricks

That will benefit old, young and all.  
If we gather round the SUP call.

So let's resolve to beat the year '75  
With thanks that most of us are still alive  
To carry on, getting sons to join new chapters,  
Adding to our ranks, and joy to the Daughters.

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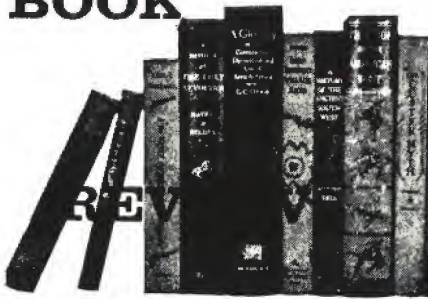
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Jaynann M. Payne is the former Mrs. Utah and the runner-up to Mrs. America, wife of Dean W. Payne, mother of twelve children, author, and Education Week lecturer.

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# Chapter SUP Eternal

## LEE E. NIELSEN

Lee Eldred Nielsen, 67, 425 S. West Temple, Salt Lake businessman and civic leader, died Nov. 8, 1975, at his home of a heart attack.

A former Kennecott Cooper Corp. and Salt Lake County Road Department employee, Mr. Nielsen was the retired owner of Lee E. Nielsen Produce Co. He was also a rancher and an interstate trucker.

A former chairman of the "Days of '47" Rodeo and Parade Committee, he had worked with that group for more than 25 years. He was a member of the United Fresh Fruits Association, the Ute Rangers Riding Club and the Ambassador Athletic Club.

Mr. Nielsen was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints as an ordained temple worker and a high priest. He was active in the Boy Scout program.

Born Feb. 28, 1908, in South Jordan, he was a son of Hans and Pauline Page Nielsen. He married Edna May Shulsen August 15, 1933, in Salt Lake City. The marriage was later solemnized in the Salt Lake Temple.

Survivors include his wife and a daughter, Mrs. Kenneth L. (Diana) Myrick Jr., Sandy. He is also survived by the following brothers and sisters: Galen P. Nielsen, Mrs. Tom E. (Wilda) Hayden, both Salt Lake City; Phil Nielsen, Ralph H. Nielsen, both Sandy; Rulon S. Nielsen, Paul W. Nielsen, both South Jordan; Mrs. Albert A. (Glenden) Smith, Provo; Mrs. M. J. (Iris) Dahl, Deeth, Nev., and Mrs. Junior (Vesta) Beckstead, Riverton.



## C. REGINALD WALTER

Members of SUP were saddened at the passing of C. R. (Reg) Walter, August 31, 1975, in a local hospital of complications following surgery.

Bro. Walter was a long-time member of the Salt Lake City Chapter and had served as Chapter secretary-treasurer for several years.

He was born July 10, 1899, in South Cottonwood, Salt Lake County, to Clarence R. and Eleanor T. Ottley Walter. He married Claudia Funk, June 16, 1926, in the Salt Lake Temple.

He served two missions for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and also was active in the Edgehill Ward and Hillside Stake.

He was a graduate of the University of Utah, receiving his degree in accounting and commercial law.

Survivors include his wife; daughters, Mrs. LaVon (Ruth Ann) Johnson, Ogden, and Mrs. Jay V. (Sharon Jean) Richardson, Salt Lake City; nine grandchildren; three great-grandchildren.

Bro. Walter was widely known for his active interest in flower gardening.

He was a former president of the Utah organization of Men's Garden Clubs of America, the Utah Rose Society and the Utah Associated Garden Clubs. He was also treasurer of the Photochrome Club.

He had won numerous awards in flower shows as well as in Photochrome Club competition.

Mr. Walter was an Internal Revenue Service agent for 26 years. He had also been a valuation auditor for the Utah Public Service Commission; chief clerk of the construction division of the United States Corps of Engineers; office manager for Clover Leaf Dairy, and credit manager for Colville Ice Cream Company.

Heartfelt sympathies are extended to the Walter Family in their bereavement.

## ALDON J. ANDERSON

Aldon Joseph Anderson, 2040 Princeton Ave., former president and general manager of Equipment Supply Co., died Nov. 8, 1975.



Mr. Anderson was the former assistant general manager of the Western operations of U.S. Smelting, Refining & Mining Co. and was the manager of the Salt Lake & Utah Railroad Co.

Always active in civic affairs, Mr. Anderson was

the first president of the Capitol Hill Improvement League, president of the Exchange Club and Salt Lake Transportation Club. He was a member of the Salt Lake City Planning and Zoning Commission, Sugarhouse Rotary and the Sons of Utah Pioneers Luncheon Club. He was a member of the LDS Church.

Mr. Anderson was twice a member of the state doubles handball championship team and won the Utah State Singles Championship in handball. He also held trophies in golf and tennis.

Mr. Anderson was born in Salt Lake City on Feb. 10, 1892. He married Minnie Egan April 12, 1918, in the Salt Lake Temple.

Survivors include his wife; sons and daughters, Judge Aldon Anderson, Jr., Mrs. D. James (Elaine Winnifred) Cannon, Lowell Gary Anderson, Mrs. Calvin C. (Nadine Elise) Cook, all of Salt Lake City, Edward, Los Angeles, Calif.; 24 grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren.

## LELAND E. RICHARDSON

SOUTH OGDEN - Leland Ezra Richardson, 77, South Ogden, died Nov. 2, 1975, in an Ogden hospital of heart failure.

Born June 21, 1898, Ogden, to William Wallace and Elizabeth Brown Richardson. Married Lucille Hulse Feb. 12, 1926, Ogden; later solemnized in Salt Lake LDS Temple. Owner, operator, Richardson's Market, Ogden, for 36 years. Salesman, Tiffany Co., division of American Lubricant Corp. Former president of both Ogden Retail Grocymen's Association, and Utah State Grocymen's Association. Active in LDS Church. Member Sons of Utah Pioneers.

Survivors: wife; sons, Wallace L., Leland O., Val H., all Ogden; 12 grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; sister, Mrs. Clyde (Ethyl) Peterson, Ogden.



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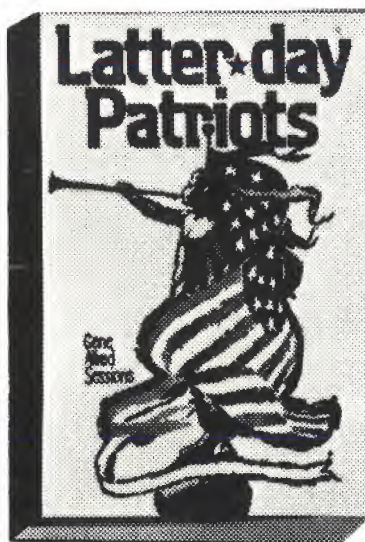
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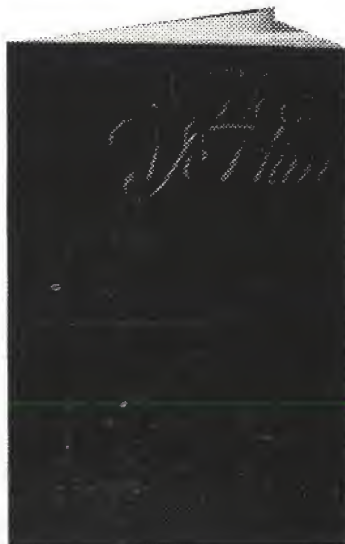
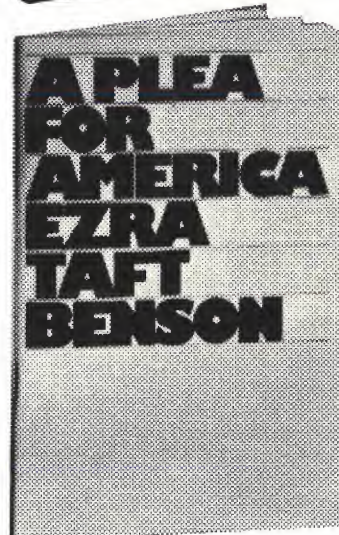
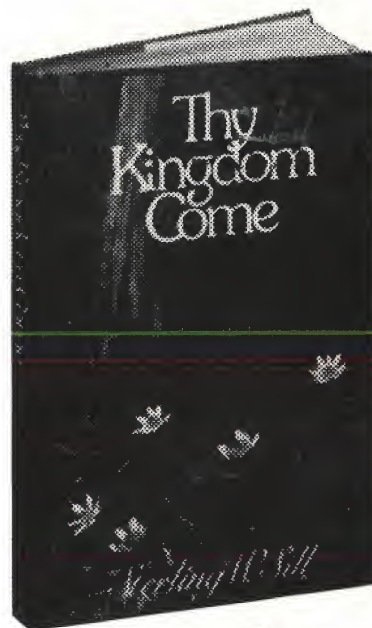
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